

Campaign '80 Undecided ? ?

JOHN ANDERSON: AT LAST, THE BEST

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When John B. Anderson stood before those gathered in Morristown's Community Theater Wednesday evening, he represented the belief by many New Jersey residents that the Republican and Democratic parties have given Americans no satisfactory nominee for the Presidency. The Republicans have chosen to nominate a man given to using style to mask an unsettling tendency to view current foreign and economic troubles as solvable by glib, simplistic answers. The Democrats have renominated a President whose lack of leadership has in large measure given us those same foreign and economic troubles. When a voter faces the choice between Mr. Reagan and President Carter, he or she faces no choice at all, for how can one choose in good conscience between an unknown evil and a known one. From this perspective, John Anderson appears not as a mere alternative candidate, but as *the* candidate of vision, *the* candidate of thought, *the* candidate best qualified to serve as the next President of the United States. This point becomes abundantly clear when one considers Mr. Anderson's positions on civil and women's rights; on energy and environment; on the economy, and on defense and foreign policy.

John Anderson's proposals to benefit women and minorities are the strongest offered by any of the three major candidates, a fact not surprising since his support of civil rights dates from his vote for the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all civil rights legislation since. He proposes to ease tax burdens on minority businesses, to add to present youth training programs (In 1979, he introduced such legislation himself.), to introduce a reduced minimum wage especially for youth in order to open more jobs for unemployed inner city youths. His support of the Equal Rights Amendment is and has been equally forceful. He voted to extend the deadline for ratifying the ERA; he supported the Equal Pay Act and the Pregnancy Disability Act. He offers no token female Supreme Court justice, as does Mr. Reagan; he plans to recruit qualified women for the judiciary. He offers more than President Carter's benign neglect of the ERA. Indeed, Mr. Anderson's support of women's issues has been so strong that he has drawn praise from the National Organization of Women.

John Anderson's position on energy and the environment is again the best of the three candidates. He has seen the future and has realized we must act now. On the other hand, Mr. Reagan offers little or no energy policy. Mr. Reagan wants to repeal the windfall profits tax, to abolish the Department of Energy; Mr. Reagan also wants us to breathe dirty air resulting from the burning of lower-grade coal. And too he actively supports nuclear power plants—a disturbing position for someone like me whose family evacuated during the Three Mile Island crisis and for someone like me who once worked at the reactor's door on Three Mile Island. Mr. Carter has brought us only a weak energy program, one which places very little emphasis on solar power. Mr. Anderson offers a gasoline tax to cut consumption immediately, to increase supply, to

help balance the trade deficit, and to provide a lifeline to the sinking Social Security System. He also wants to decontrol petroleum prices gradually, and he wants to give tax credits for conservation—an incentive neither Carter nor Reagan has had the vision to recognize. And of the three, Mr. Anderson is the only candidate to speak up loudly for solar power.

Mr. Anderson's handling of the economy would be better than Mr. Carter's, and his proposals are certainly more explicit than Gov. Reagan's vague generalities on economic revival. Mr. Reagan wants to balance the budget and provide a whopping tax cut that his own running mate once commented on as "voodoo economics." We all know what President Carter has brought us: five failed economic plans on the past three-and-a-half years, rising inflation, excruciating interest rates, unemployment. By way of contrast, Mr. Anderson sees tax cuts, raises in defense spending, and a balanced budget as things possible to accomplish "only with mirrors." Instead, Mr. Anderson proposed, as long ago as five months, thirty-seven budget cuts that, along with his two revenues increases, would provide a balanced budget now. He also wants to

Service and in Congress give him more than either Mr. Carter or Mr. Reagan has or had when he ran for the Presidency. Mr. Anderson sees as well, unlike the other two, the waste and foolish strategy inherent in the MX missile system. He sees the need to upgrade our armed services by better pay for service personnel, not by draft registration. He supports an undivided Jerusalem at the close of the peace talks. And he knows the value of our European allies first-hand since he worked in Europe for the American Commissioner of Berlin. In short, he gives voters the vision and diplomacy the other candidates lack.

His superiority is clear. He remains, after all the electioneering, the best person for the job. His support in the nation and in New Jersey has grown within the last couple weeks—and this according to more than one poll, including the NBC poll. The facts of the matter were never more evident. Voters truly waste their votes when they vote for a candidate they know is second best. After all, the electorate is not betting on a horse race. We are choosing a President. I for one plan to step from the voting booth and say, "I voted for Anderson and I'm proud."



exempt \$500 of personal savings from taxation as a way to increase investment capital and to decrease the high interest rates that contribute so much to inflation and economic stagnation. Here too, Mr. Anderson's energy program contributes to economic strength.

As if all these reasons were not sufficient, Mr. Anderson offers a better, more consistent Foreign policy. Remember that one of the three candidates brought us the Anger in Iran that led to the imprisonment of fifty-two Americans. He too brought us the policies that let the Soviets think they could invade Afghanistan without fear of the U.S. Another candidate has once suggested that the U.S. blockade Cuba in response to that invasion—as if Cuba had anything to do with the Middle East. Furthermore, he does not want to ratify the Salt II treaty limiting the arms race, and he seems blind to the many ways that American chauvinism has helped create problems for the U.S. John Anderson represents, however, the experience and sobriety needed to conduct an effective foreign policy. His experience in the Foreign

ELECTION WATCH AT DREW

The public is invited to attend an election night watch at Drew University on Tuesday, Nov. 4 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the University Center. The watch will include complete national monitoring, reporting, and posting of all election results for key Congressional and Senate races as well as the Presidential election; displays of campaign memorabilia; videotapes of famous TV election campaign ads of the past, and expert candidates, and office holders.

WMNJ—the University's FM radio station which covers a 5-7 mile radius, 88.9 on the dial—will broadcast live reports from the election watch. More than 100 students will make up the watch team under the direction of Julius Mastro, professor of political science, and members of Drew's chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society.

Vote for Jimmy...

On November 4th when you cast your ballot, consider voting for Jimmy Carter. Our President has brought decency back to the White House. He has made the tough decisions on energy, education, the environment and in dealing with our economy. Jimmy Carter has not offered simplistic solutions to our nation's incredibly complex problems, realizing that responsible decision-making is not the result of off-the-cuff remarks, or ties to special interest groups.

As a Democrat, Jimmy Carter is a member of that party which has offered the American people a vision, that of the New Deal, the New Frontier, and the Great Society. Under Democratic leadership, this nation has gained unprecedented affluence, forty years of progress benefiting all elements of our society, the stockholder and the worker, the white man and the black man. The Democratic Party is the party of equal rights for all, regardless of sex, race, religion or sexual preference.

Jimmy Carter and Fritz Mondale realize that we can not turn the clock back in America to a day when we reigned as sole superpower and believed that our nation's resources were infinite. Together we must move ahead, gaining economic progress and worldwide esteem, while tempering our actions with honor, knowledge, and compassion for the needs of other peoples and nations. By casting your ballot for President Carter you will be voting for an America, united and at peace, an America which both we and our children will be able to enjoy and respect.

Sincerely,
Rick Rednor

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be a man of virtue, motivated solely by a desire to act in accordance with what his heart tells him is right and governed by a conscience firmly rooted in compassion and justice. He will not spend his time attacking his opponent's character but will diligently work at perfecting his own.

Politics, after all, is an honorable profession. It is politicians who make it seem anything but.

You're Home . . .

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Military, Peace Corps and Vista service allows a one year deferral.

In addition, a new provision of the bill allows parents to borrow up to \$3000 a year for each dependent child - up to a total of \$15,000. The interest rate for these parent loans will be 9%, and payments begin 60 days after taking out the loan.

Taking into account both the low interest student loans and the new parent loans, a family is now eligible to borrow up to \$1500 per year for each child's education - up to a total of \$40,000.

With the cost of secondary education increasing at an alarming rate, I am proud to be associated with a program such as this. The opportunity for a higher education should not be deprived an individual because of lack of adequate financing.

If you would like further information concerning student assistance, please feel free to contract my office.